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RESPONSE

Sir:

The Office Action dated 07/22/2002 (Paper No. 6), has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please consider the following remarks and enter the following election.

# **REMARKS**

Applicants appreciate the Office's review of the present application. In response to the Office Action, an election has been made..

#### **Election/Restriction**

The Office issued an election requirement to elect one of Species I through VI, where the species correspond to the illustrations of Figures 10B through 10G respectively. Figures 10B through 10G "are illustrations, viewed at the nozzle member, of the nozzle bore shape" (specification, p. 10, ln. 3-5).

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In response to the election requirement, Applicants elect Species V, which corresponds to the illustration of Figure 10F. Figure 10F illustrates a pie-shaped nozzle bore. This election is made without traverse.

With regard to the identification of the claims readable on the elected species, the Office has identified claim 1 as generic. However, claim 1 does not recite any nozzle bore shape. Claim 6, which depends from claim 1, recites that "the certain ones of the nozzles have a non-circular bore". Claim 10, which depends from claim 6, recites a non-circular bore which is "symmetrical about the scanning axis but asymmetrical about a medium advance axis". Claim 13, which is dependent on claim 10, recites a bore which "has the shape of a pie with a wedge removed", as illustrated in Figure 10F. The claims dependent on claim 1 that recite a bore shape are claims 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, and 13. Accordingly, claims 1-7, 9-10, and 13-33 are readable on Species V.

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## Conclusion

Applicants believe that all claims presently on file in the subject application are in condition for immediate allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. If it is felt for any reason that direct communication with Applicant's attorney would serve to advance prosecution of this case to finality, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned Robert C. Sismilich, Esq. at the below-listed telephone number.

# AUTHORIZATION TO PAY AND PETITION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF ANY NECESSARY FEES

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